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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM; CONGRESSIONAL SCHEDULING

(S/S NO. 7603563)

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM MCCLOSKEY

1. WE HAVE FIRMED UP SEVERAL APPEARANCES PER YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AND CAN OFFER POSSIBLE DATES FOR SEVERAL OTHER COMMITMENTS FOR YOU TO APPEAR ON THE HILL OR MEET WITH MEMBERS.

A. ON THE SCHEDULE:

(1) HAYS SUBCOMMITTEE: YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE HAYS SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE HIRC IN AN INFORMAL EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS GENERAL FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONS ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 AT 10:30 A.M.

(2) HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE; YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE IN AN INFORMAL EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE GENERAL FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONS ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26 AT
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10:30 A.M.

(3) SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE. YOU AGREED

TO APPEAR BEFORE THE SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS THE NUCLEAR EXPORT REORGANIZATION ACT ON EITHER MONDAY, MARCH 8, OR TUESDAY, MARCH 9. (ACTION MEMORANDUM S/S-S NO. 7602817). WE HAVE CONFIRMED YOUR APPEARANCE WITH THE COMMITTEE FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 9 AT 10:30 A.M.

(4) SFRC BICENTENNIAL HEARINGS: YOU ASKED US TO POSTPONE YOUR APPEARANCE BEFORE THE SFRC, SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY MARCH 3. YOU ASKED THAT WE TRY FOR AN APPEARANCE ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10. THE COMMITTEE HAS AGREED AND YOU ARE NOW SCHEDULED TO APPEAR ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10 AT 10:30 A.M.

B. TO BE SCHEDULED:

(1) MONTGOMERY COMMITTEE; YOU AGREED TO MEET AGAIN WITH THE MONTGOMERY COMMITTEE ON MIAS AND POWS AND ASKED US TO TRY FOR A DATE IN THE FIRST WEEK IN MARCH. (ACTION MEMORANDUM S/S-S NO. 7602817) WE HAVE TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED A BREAKFAST MEETING FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 5 AT 8:00 A.M. THIS DATE IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE COMMITTEE. IF YOU AGREE, WHICH I STRONGLY URGE, I WILL CALL MONTGOMERY TO CONFIRM.

(2) HIRC; YOU HAD AGREED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE HIRC "SHORTLY AFTER YOUR RETURN" FROM LATIN AMERICA TO DISCUSS YOUR TRIP AND YOUR EARLIER DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SOVIETS. YOU WILL RECALL THAT THIS COMMITMENT WAS MADE AFTER IT WAS DECIDED TO CANCEL YOUR FEBRUARY 11 APPEARANCE IN THE COURSE OF DISCUSSIONS WITH HAYS, BURTON, AND DOC MORGAN. AFTER CHECKING YOUR SCHEDULE, THURSDAY, MARCH 4, APPEARS TO BE THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE FOR YOUR APPEARANCE. THIS DATE IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE COMMITTEE AND I RECOMMEND THAT YOU AGREE TO APPEAR AT THAT TIME.

(3) SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE: THE SENATE BUDGET
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COMMITTEE HAS ASKED THAT YOU APPEAR TO DISCUSS WHAT THE COMMITTEE CALLS "THE RATIONALE OF U.S. FOREIGN AND MILITARY POLICY." (REF: OUR ACTION MEMORANDUM DATED FEBRUARY 12, S/S-S NO. 7603103) THE COMMITTEE HAD ASKED THAT YOU APPEAR ON FRIDAY, MARCH 5, OR MONDAY, MARCH 8. WE HAVE JUST BEEN ADVISED THAT THE LATTER DATE IS NO LONGER POSSIBLE. A LATER DATE IS ALSO IMPOSSIBLE DUE TO STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS WHICH FORCE THE COMMITTEE TO KEEP

AN EXTREMELY TIGHT SCHEDULE. GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE, I RECOMMEND THAT YOU ACCEPT THE MARCH 5 DATE IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.

(4) SFRC "RESTRICTED" SESSION: YOU HAVE AGREED TO MEET WITH THE SFRC IN "RESTRICTED" SESSION. YOU ADVISED US THAT YOU DID NOT WANT TO DO THIS ON MARCH 4 AND ASKED US TO COME UP WITH ANOTHER DATE. THE EARLIEST MUTUALLY AGREEABLE DATE IS TUESDAY, MARCH 16.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT YOU AGREE TO HOST A BREAKFAST MEETING WITH MONTGOMERY AND HIS COLLEAGUES ON FRIDAY, MARCH 5 AT 8:00 A.M. APPROVE DISAPPROVE

2. THAT YOU AGREE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE HIRC TO DISCUSS YOUR LATIN AMERICAN AND MOSCOW TRIPS ON THURSDAY, MARCH 4 AT 10:30 A.M. APPROVE DISAPPROVE

3. THAT YOU AGREE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS "THE RATIONALE OF US FOREIGN AND MILITARY POLICY" ON FRIDAY, MARCH 5 AT 10:30 A.M.

APPROVE DISAPPROVE

4. THAT YOU AGREE TO MEET WITH THE SFRC IN A "RESTRICTED" SESSION ON TUESDAY, MARCH 16 AT 10:30 A.M.

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